

## Police Explorers

### **1025.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

Police explorers work under direct supervision and perform a variety of routine and progressively advanced tasks in an apprenticeship program in preparation for a career in law enforcement.

### **1025.2 EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

Police explorers are required to maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.0 ("C" grade) for all courses taken..

### **1025.3 PROGRAM COORDINATOR**

The Chief of Police will assign a member to serve as the program coordinator. The program coordinator will be responsible for tracking the educational and job performance of police explorers as well as making their individual assignments throughout the Department. The program coordinator will also monitor the training provided for all police explorers and review all school attendance and performance evaluations.

#### **1025.3.1 PROGRAM ADVISERS**

The program coordinator may select individual officers to serve as advisers for the Police Explorer Program. These officers will serve as mentors for each police explorer. . One adviser may be designated as the coordinator's assistant to lead scheduled meetings and training sessions involving the police explorers. Program advisers are not intended to circumvent the established chain of command. Any issues that may be a concern of the individual's supervisor should be referred back to the program coordinator.

### **1025.4 ORIENTATION AND TRAINING**

Newly appointed cadets and explorers will receive an orientation of the organization and facilities before reporting to their first assignment. On-the-job training will be conducted in compliance with the cadet and explorer training manual. Training sessions will be scheduled as needed to train cadets and explorers for as many assignments as possible. In addition to job-specific training, information will be offered to prepare cadets and explorers to compete successfully in the police officer selection process, as well as the academy training. All training will focus on improving job performance, as well as preparation to become police officers. These meetings will also offer an opportunity to receive continuous feedback regarding progress of the program.

### **1025.5 POLICE EXPLORER UNIFORMS**

The Program Coordinator will designate the uniform to be worn by the police explorer. Police Explorers will purchase their own uniform and equipment, unless otherwise issued by the Program Coordinator.

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### **1025.6 RIDE-ALONG PROCEDURES**

All Police explorers are authorized to participate in the Ride-Along Program on their own time and as approved by the Program Coordinator or advisor. Applicable waivers must be signed in advance of the ride-along. Police explorers shall wear their uniform while participating on a ride-along.